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Milan, Decemb 22.

THough few People are of opinion that the War will be brought into *Italy*, yet our Governor continues to make several preparations which are necessary for the defence of this Countrey, in case of the worst. The Marquis *d'Ali* is raising a Regiment of Foot, and several other Levies are making.

Dantzick, Decemb. 27. By the last Post we had Letters from *Livonia*, which told us, that the Reports which were spread abroad of the *Suedes* having possessed themselves of *Mitaw*, the Capital of *Courland*, is altogether false, for that the *Suedes* Army was not yet marched, but that their general Rendezvous was appointed to be held the first of the next month near *Riga*. The Magistrates, as well as the Inhabitants of this City, continue to have great mistrusts and jealousies of the long continuance of the Court in this City; and since our last, several Representations have been made to his Majesty on this Subject. The last account we had from *Warsaw*, was, that they had advice that the *Turks* were preparing a great Army against the *Moscovites*, which will be commanded by the Grand Visier in person, in order to the repairing the Indignity put upon the *Ottomans*, in the defeat they received before *Czechetin*.

Genoua, Decemb. 29. Here are arrived no ships since the 11 instant, save the *Providence*, *Nathaniel Pocket* Master. We have not any News from Sir *John Narborough*, since what we received from *Legorn*, of his being with his Squadron before *Argiers*. The *Tyger* and *Friendship* sailed hence for *Legorn* two dayes since, as likewise the *Exchange*, with the *Samuel* and *Henry*.

Vienna, Jan. 5. We have not for these eight or ten dayes past had any thing of moment from *Hungary*; the Rebels seem to be in expectation of farther assistances, but we here doubt not but General *Cops* will be able to make head against them, and even oblige them to retire. The Duke of *Lorrain*, as we are told, hath by Letters informed the Emperor at large of the present condition his Forces in the Empire are in, and of the great preparations that are making by the *French* for an early Campagne; that they give out they will attack *Trier* and *Luxemburg*; that for the security of those places, several Troops had been drawn that way; and that he would not part from *Wormes* on his journey hither, till he had positive Orders from his Imperial Majesty so to do; and that the Emperor had appointed who should succeed him in the Command of the Army. From *Constantinople* we have advice, that the Ambassador of the Crown of *Poland* was arrived there; that he had been received with all the Honors and Respects usually given to Persons of his Character; and that the Grand Signior had ratified the Peace with the Crown of *Poland*. The Letters add, that the *Turks* seemed very intent upon the War against the *Moscovites*, which they were resolved to carry on with all the vigor imaginable; and it was even said, the Grand Signior would command his Army in person.

Hamburgh, Jan. 11. The last Letters we received from *Pomeren*, gave us an account, that the Garison of *Stetin* was marched out, consisting hardly in 200 men, of 3000 which were in the place when it was first besieged. From *Denmark* they write, that there were endeavors using to bring the City of *Straelsond* to an Accommodation, to which the Inhabitants seemed inclined; and the rather, for that they saw to how little purpose they of *Stetin* had so bravely defended themselves so long, and undergone so great hardships and calamities. There has, we hear, been some Mutiny among the Seamen at *Copenhagen*, but it was soon composed, and the principal Authors hanged. We hear from *Dantzick*, that Peoples minds there are full of fears and jealousies, and that they have great mistrusts of the Court.

Ditto, Jan. 14. The 6th instant in the morning the Elector of *Brandenburgh* made his solemn Entry into *Stetin*, and having received the Homage of the Magistrates, and of the Burghers, in the evening returned to his quarters. The 10th, his Electoral Highness arrived at *Berlin*, and was received there with all the Solemnity and Magnificence that place is capable of, beyond what had been seen there in the memory of any man living. We are told that offers have been made to those of *Straelsond*, to make it an Imperial free Town, and that there is a great disposition among the Burghers to accept thereof. The *Danes* on the Isle of *Rugen* have not made any progress since the Surrender of *Stetin*, and it seems they expected an assistance of men from the Elector of *Brandenburgh*. From *Copenhagen* they write, that the *Danes* work hard on their Men of War, in order to the having them early at Sea.

Trier, Jan. 9. The Mareschal *de Crequi* is, as we are informed, gone from *Metz* for *Paris*, to receive the Kings Orders for the next Campagne, which will be begun very early. The *French* work very hard on the Fortifications of *Friburg*, which they intend to make a very strong place.

Francfort, Jan. 12. The *Munster* Troops who are come from the *Meuse* into these Parts, have, by their continual disorders and plunderings among the Countrey People, raised a great cry against them, who look upon them as common Enemies to all places and people where they come, and treat them accordingly, when they have opportunity. We are now told that these Troops have Orders to march forthwith to *Luxemburg*, for that the *French* seem to threaten that City with a Siege, and that very suddenly; and because they of *Trier* are not without great apprehensions of the same kind, several Imperial Troops are marching down that way. The Duke of *Lorrain* continues still at *Wormes*, and though he has the Emperors former leave to begin his journey to *Vienna* so soon as the Campagne should be ended, yet his Highness seems resolved to expect the Emperors positive Order before he leave *Wormes*; and the rather, for that it might be of ill consequence, to leave the Imperial Army without a General, at a time when the *French* seem almost in a posture to come into the Field again by the beginning of the next month.

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